PTO/SB/08A (01-08)

Approved for use through 03/31/2008, OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

Substitute for form 1449/PTO

Sheet 1

(Use as many sheets as necessary) of 1

Complete if Known Application Number 10/578,739 Filing Date May 10, 2006 First Named Inventor James C. Tiernan, et al. Art Unit 2616 Examiner Name Jayanti K. Patel Attorney Docket Number 5969-101

			U. S. PATENT	DOCUMENTS	
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Document Number Number-Kind Code ^{2 (FArrown)}	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
	A1	^{US-} 6,278,713 B1	08/21/2001	G. M. Campbeli, et al.	
		US-			
		US-			
		US-			
	-	US-			
		US-			
		US-			
		US-	-		
		US-			
	_	US-			
		US-			
		US-		-	
		US-			
	-	US-			
	T	US-			
		US-			

		FOREI	GN PATENT DOCU	MENTS		
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date	Name of Petentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages Or Relevant Figures Appear	T ⁶
		Country Code ³ "Number ⁴ "Kind Code ⁵ (if known)	MM-DD-YYYY			
	A2	WO 98/47236	12/22/1998			
	<u></u>					Н
	<u> </u>					\vdash
					L	
Funnisma	_			Date		\neg

"EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not clistion is in conformance with MPEP 809. Draw line through clistion if not in conformance and not considered, include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. *Applicant's unique clistion designation number (potional). *See Kinds Codes of USPP Detend December 1, by a two-letter, by the two-letter, by the two-letter code (VPPO Standard STS). *For Taylor and the property of the patent document. *Kind of occurrent to the patent document. *Kind occurrent to the patent document. *Kind occurrent to the patent

Translation is attached. Translation of information is required by 3° DFR. 157 and 188. The information is required to point or retain a baseful by the public which is to fige find by the processor of information in required by 3° DFR. 157 and 188. The information is required to point or processor of the processor of t

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 (1-800-786-9199) and select option 2.